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a format conversion means which converts the format of the digital image signal into a predetermined format used in a digital camera; and

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an image signal recording means which records the digital image signal in the predetermined format on a recording medium which can be loaded in the digital camera.

Please add the following new claims.

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2. (New) The system of claim 1, wherein the digital image generation means includes

a film scanner for reading an image from the photographic film as an analog signal, and

an A/D converter for converting the analog signal to the digital image signal.

3. (New) The system of claim 1, wherein the format conversion means includes

a color transformation means for converting the digital image signal into an 8-bit digital image signal for the digital camera, and

a format processor means for converting the 8-bit digital image signal into the predetermined format for the digital camera.

4. (New) The system of claim 1, further comprising:

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an input means for allowing a user to designate the predetermined format for conversion of the digital image signal.

Sub B2 → 5. (New) An image conversion system, comprising:

a digital image generator reading out an image on photographic film and generating a digital image signal representing the image;

a format converter converting the format of the digital image signal into a predetermined format used in a digital camera; and

an image signal recorder recording the digital image signal in the predetermined format on a recording medium to be loaded in the digital camera.

6. (New) The system of claim 5, wherein the digital image generator includes

a film scanner reading an image from the photographic film as an analog signal, and

an A/D converter converting the analog signal to the digital image signal.

7. (New) The system of claim 5, wherein the format converter includes

a color transformer converting the digital image signal into an 8-bit digital image signal for the digital camera, and

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a format processor converting the 8-bit digital image signal into the predetermined format for the digital camera.

8. (New) The system of claim 5, further comprising:
an input terminal allowing a user to designate the predetermined format for conversion of the digital image signal.

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9. (New) An image conversion method, comprising:
reading out an image on photographic film and generating a digital image signal representing the image;
converting the format of the digital image signal into a predetermined format used in a digital camera; and
recording the digital image signal in the predetermined format on a recording medium to be loaded in the digital camera.

10. (New) The system of claim 9, wherein the step of reading out an image on photographic film and generating a digital image signal representing the image includes
using a scanner to read an image from the photographic film as an analog signal, and
converting the analog signal into the digital image signal.

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11. (New) The system of claim 9, wherein the step of converting the format of the digital image signal into a predetermined format used in a digital camera includes

converting the digital image signal into an 8-bit digital image signal for the digital camera, and

converting the 8-bit digital image signal into the predetermined format for the digital camera.

12. (New) The system of claim 9, further comprising:

allowing a user to designate the predetermined format for conversion of the digital image signal.
